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# **Pregnant or Partially (Mostly) Breastfeeding**

### Introduction

This food package is called Food Package V in the federal regulations. It is issued to the following two groups of women:

- Women pregnant with a singleton, and
- Breastfeeding women whose infants receive less than or equal to half of the WIC formula food package appropriate for the infant's age.

<u>Note:</u> A breastfeeding woman whose 6 month or older infant receives more than half of the WIC formula food package will not receive a food package for herself. However, she will continue to be an Active participant.

#### **Contents**

The contents of this food package are listed in the table below.

Food Category	Amount
Juice, single strength	144 oz.
Milk, fluid	22 qt.
Breakfast cereal	36 oz.
Cheese	N/A
Eggs	1 dozen
Fruits and vegetables	\$11.00
Whole wheat bread or whole grain options	1 lb.
Fish (canned)	N/A
Legumes, dry	1 lb.
Peanut butter	AND 18 oz.

<u>Note:</u> These groups of women will receive FIs for 1% low fat or fat-free skim milk.

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# Substitution rates

Food	Allowance	
Soy-based beverage	May be substituted for milk on a quart for quart basis up	
	to the total maximum allowance for milk.	
Tofu	May be substituted for milk at a rate of 1 pound of tofu	
	per 1 quart of milk. Additional amounts of tofu may be	
	substituted up to the maximum allowances for fluid milk	
	for situations that include but are not limited to lactose	
	intolerance.	
Cheese	May be substituted for milk at a rate of 1 pound of	
	cheese per 3 quarts of milk. No more than 1 pound of	
	cheese may be substituted and additional amounts of	
	cheese beyond these maximums are not allowed even	
	with medical documentation.	

<u>Note:</u> No more than a total of 4 quarts of milk may be substituted for a combination of cheese or tofu.

Issuance of soybased beverage, tofu, and cheese Issuance of soy-based beverage, tofu, and cheese as substitutes for milk must be based on an individual nutrition assessment by a CPA and consultation with the participant's health care provider if necessary. Such determination can be made for situations that include but are not limited to milk allergy, lactose intolerance, and vegan diets.

Assessment information and determination of need must be documented in the participant care plan.

Note: Due to the requirement for the determination of need for soy-based beverage, tofu, and cheese, participants receiving these products must have these products specifically listed on their food benefits. Also, due to how the data system works, participants receiving other forms of milk (evaporated, lactose-free, goats, sweet acidophilus, nonfat dry) must have these products specifically listed on their food benefits. Only the types and forms of milk listed on the participant's food benefits can be purchased.

### Milk substitutions

Food	Substitution rate	Maximum
Cheese	1 lb. = 3 qt. milk	1 lb. (3 qt.)
Soy beverage	1 qt. = 1 qt. milk	22 qt.
Tofu	1 lb. = 1 qt. milk	22 lbs.

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# Provide full allowance of milk

When a combination of different milk forms is provided in the food package, the full maximum monthly allowance of milk must still be provided. Examples of food packages with the equivalent of 22 quarts of milk are listed below:

- 1 lb. cheese + 4 gallons milk + 1 half gallon milk + 1 qt. milk
- 1-8 qt. box dry milk + 3 gallons milk + 1 half gallon milk
- 1-8 qt. box dry milk + 1 lb. cheese + 2 gallons milk + 1 half gallon milk + 1 qt. milk
- 1-8 qt. box dry milk + 1 lb. cheese + 4-12 oz. cans evaporated milk + 2 gallons milk
- 4 qt. soy beverage + 4 lb. tofu + 7 half gallons lactose free milk

# Options for the full allowance of juice

There are three options for food packages with the full allowance of juice as listed below:

- 3-12 oz. frozen fruit juice
- 1-64 oz. fruit juice + 1-12 oz. frozen fruit juice + 1-32 oz. vegetable juice
- 3-32 oz. vegetable juice + 1-12 oz. frozen fruit juice

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